

cluster merging step [unit] are displayed so that a user can see in what manner said cluster merging process has been performed to obtain said final cluster; and

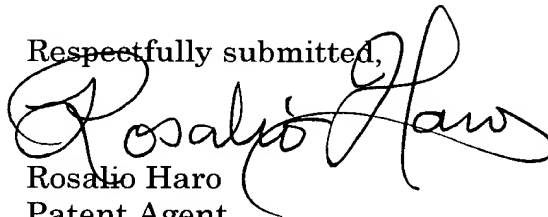
a step for outputting said cluster-merging-process information such that said cluster-merging-process information is included in the categorization result to be presented to said user.

### REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are presented for examination. Claims 3-11 and 13 are amended to correct typographical and grammatical errors, and to remove multiple claim dependencies. The specification is amended to correct grammatical errors. No new matter is added by these changes.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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